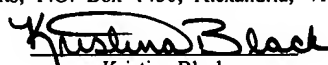




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Applicant: Bridgwater
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In reply to: Office Action dated March 24, 2003

Mail Stop Fee Amendment
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.